

Demonstration Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3406) is amended—

(1) by striking "Federal department" and inserting "Federal agency";

(2) by striking "Federal departmental" and inserting "Federal agency";

(3) by striking "department" each place it appears and inserting "agency"; and

(4) in the third sentence, by inserting "statutory requirement," after "to waive any".

(d) **PLAN APPROVAL.**—Section 8 of the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3407) is amended—

(1) in the first sentence, by inserting before the period at the end the following: "(including any request for a waiver that is made as part of the plan submitted by the tribal government)"; and

(2) in the second sentence, by inserting before the period at the end the following: ", including reconsidering the disapproval of any waiver requested by the Indian tribe".

(e) **JOB CREATION ACTIVITIES.**—Section 9 of the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3408) is amended—

(1) by inserting "(a) IN GENERAL.—" before "The plan submitted"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

"(b) **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES.**—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including any requirement of a program that is integrated under a plan under this Act, a tribal government may use a percentage of the funds made available under this Act (as determined under paragraph (2)) for the creation of employment opportunities, including providing private sector training placement under section 10.

"(2) **DETERMINATION OF PERCENTAGE.**—The percentage of funds that a tribal government may use under this subsection is the greater of—

"(A) the rate of unemployment in the area subject to the jurisdiction of the tribal government; or

"(B) 10 percent.

"(c) **LIMITATION.**—The funds used for an expenditure described in subsection (a) may only include funds made available to the Indian tribe by a Federal agency under a statutory or administrative formula."

(f) **FEDERAL RESPONSIBILITIES.**—Section 11(a) of the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3410(a)) is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking "Bureau of Indian Affairs" and inserting "Office of Self-Governance";

(2) in paragraph (3), by striking "and" at the end;

(3) in paragraph (4)—

(A) by inserting "delivered under an arrangement subject to the approval of the Indian tribe participating in the project," after "appropriate to the project,"; and

(B) by striking the period and inserting "; and"; and

(4) by adding at the end the following:

"(5) the convening by an appropriate official of the lead agency (whose appointment is subject to the confirmation of the Senate) and a representative of the Indian tribes that carry out demonstration projects under this Act, in consultation with each such Indian tribe, of a meeting not less than 2 times during each fiscal year for the purpose of providing an opportunity for all Indian tribes that carry out demonstration projects under this Act to discuss issues relating to the implementation of this Act with officials of each department specified in subsection (a)."

(g) **ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES.**—In assuming the responsibilities for carrying out the duties of a lead agency under section 11(a) of the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3410(a)) pursuant to the amendments made to

that section by subsection (f) of this section, the Director of the Office of Self-Governance of the Department of the Interior shall ensure that an orderly transfer of those lead agency functions to the Office occurs in such manner as to eliminate any potential adverse effects on any Indian tribe that participates in a demonstration project under the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3401 et seq.).

(h) **PERSONNEL.**—In carrying out the amendment made by subsection (f)(1), the Secretary of the Interior shall transfer from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to the Office of Self-Governance of the Department of the Interior such personnel and resources as the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

SEC. 4. CONSOLIDATED ADVISORY COMMITTEES.

The Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3401 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"SEC. 19. CONSOLIDATED ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—The head of each Federal agency specified in section 4 that otherwise has jurisdiction over a program that is integrated under this Act (in accordance with a plan under section 6) shall permit a tribal government that carries out that plan to establish a consolidated advisory committee to carry out the duties of each advisory committee that would otherwise be required under applicable law (including any council or commission relating to private industry) to carry out the programs integrated under the plan.

"(b) **WAIVERS.**—As necessary to carry out subsection (a), each agency head referred to in that paragraph shall waive any statutory requirement, regulation, or policy requiring the establishment of an advisory committee (including any advisory commission or council)."

SEC. 5. ALASKA REGIONAL CONSORTIA.

The Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3401 et seq.), as amended by section 4 of this Act, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"SEC. 20. ALASKA REGIONAL CONSORTIA.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, subject to subsection (b), the Secretary shall permit a regional consortium of Alaska Native villages or regional or village corporations (as defined in or established under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.)) to carry out a project under a plan that meets the requirements of this Act through a resolution adopted by the governing body of that consortium or corporation.

"(b) **WITHDRAWAL.**—Nothing in subsection (a) is intended to prohibit an Alaska Native village or regional or village corporation from withdrawing from participation in any portion of a program conducted pursuant to that subsection."

SEC. 6. EFFECTIVE DATES.

This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act, except that the transfer of functions to the Office of Self-Governance of the Department of the Interior under the amendment made by section 3(f)(1) shall be carried out not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee substitute be agreed to, the bill be considered read the third time, and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill appear at this point in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The bill (S. 1279), as amended, was considered read the third time, and passed.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 1998

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 10 a.m. on Friday, June 19. I further ask that on Friday, immediately following the prayer, the routine requests through the morning hour be granted and the Senate then resume consideration of S. 2057, the Department of Defense authorization bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, the Senate will reconvene tomorrow at 10 o'clock a.m. and immediately resume consideration of the Department of Defense authorization bill. It is hoped that Members who wish to offer amendments to the defense bill will come to the floor during Friday's session to offer and debate their amendments under short time agreements.

The majority leader has announced that there will be no votes during tomorrow's session. Therefore, any votes ordered with respect to the Department of Defense bill, or any other legislative or executive items, will be postponed to occur at a later date. The leader would also remind Members that the Independence Day recess is fast approaching. Therefore, the cooperation of all Members will be necessary to make progress on a number of important items, including appropriations bills, any available conference reports, the Higher Education Act, the Department of Defense authorization bill, and any other legislative or executive items that may be cleared for action.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:43 p.m., adjourned until Friday, June 19, 1998, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate June 18, 1998:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JOHN BRUCE CRAIG, OF PENNSYLVANIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE SULTANATE OF OMAN.

ROBERT C. FELDER, OF FLORIDA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF BENIN.

JAMES VELA LEDESMA, OF CALIFORNIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF